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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 1506

FOR THE SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES ENDERS AND HARTMAN FROM
THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EAIR, NL
SUBJ: ACTION MEMORANDUM: KLM CAPACITY

REF: STATE 65372

1. SINCE IT IS NOW EVIDENT DUTCH CANNOT VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT
FIGURE BELOW 20 OR 21 FLIGHTS, I CAUTION AGAINST THNNG-45
OF ACTION MEMORANDUM WHICH THREATENS DUTCH WITH UNILATERAL
ACTION BECAUSE SUCH THREATS WOULD BE INEFFECTUAL TO OUR PURPOSES,
WOULD BE BADLY RECEIVED BY VAN DER STOEL AND WOULD COME AT AN
UNFORTUNATE TIME IN THE YF-16 SELECTION PROCESS, WITH PERHAPS
FATAL EFFECTS.

2. VIEWED FROM HERE, THE DIVERSE INTERESTS OF THE US WILL BEST BE
SERVED BY A PROMPT ONE YEAR SETTLEMENT OF THE KLM MATTER ON THE LOWEST

BASIS WITH WHICH THE GON CAN LIVE WITHOUT RANCOR. THE SEVERAL
REASONS LEADING TO THIS CONCLUSION WERE SET FORTH IN MY MESSAGE
TO YOU OF LAST FEB 24 (THE HAGUE 0925) AND ARE STILL VALID.

3. IF THIS TEMPORARY SOLUTION DOES NOT APPEAR DESIRABLE
VIEWED FROM WASHINGTON, THEN I STRONGLY ENDORSE THE BACK BURNER
PROCEDURE SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE MEMORANDUM, NOTING THAT
YOU WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO RAISE THE MATTER DIRECTLY IN A FEW
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WEEKS BOTH WITH VAN DER STOEL IN EUROPE AND PRIMIN DEN UYL

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WHEN HE MEETS WITH PRESIDENT AND YOU IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 14TH.
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